

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
ASHEVILLE DIVISION

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ASHEVILLE, NC

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT  
W. DISTRICT OF N.C.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

DOCKET NO. 1:24-CR-66-MR-WCM

v.

BILL OF INDICTMENT

(1) LEWIS EMERSON BIRD  
(2) REVA CLAUDINE SEQUOYAH

Violations:  
18 U.S.C. §§ 13 and 1153  
N.C.G.S. § 14-318.4

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT ONE

From on or about January 30, 2024, through on or about February 6, 2024, in Jackson County, within Indian Country in the Western District of North Carolina, the defendants

(1) LEWIS EMERSON BIRD  
(2) REVA CLAUDINE SEQUOYAH

each being an Indian and a person providing care to and supervision of H.H., a child less than 16 years of age, intentionally inflicted serious physical injury upon and to H.H., and intentionally assaulted H.H. resulting in serious physical injury.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 13, 1153, and 2, and North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 14, Section 318.4(a).

**COUNT TWO**

From on or about October 1, 2023, through on or about February 6, 2024, in Jackson County, within Indian Country in the Western District of North Carolina, the defendants

**(1) LEWIS EMERSON BIRD  
(2) REVA CLAUDINE SEQUOYAH**

each being an Indian and a person providing care to and supervision of H.H., a child less than 16 years of age, showed a reckless disregard for human life through a willful act and grossly negligent omission in the care of H.H., and the act and omission resulted in serious physical injury to H.H.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 13, 1153, and 2, and North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 14, Section 318.4(a5).

A TRUE BILL:

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Grand Jury Foreperson

DENA J. KING  
United States Attorney



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ALEX M. SCOTT  
Assistant United States Attorney